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Re: Preliminary Environmental Review
Helena Auto & Truck

- Board of County Commissioners, Courthouse, Helena
- Will Selser, City-Counth Health, 316 N. Park, Helena
- Mark Safronoff, 2943 Canyon Ferry Road, East Helena
- Environmental Quality Council, Capitol, Helena
- ✓ Harold Chambers, State Library, Helena
- Gus Byrom, Areawide Planning Office, 316 N. Park, Helena
- Bob Graves, County Junk Vehicle Program Director, 316 N. Park, Helena
- Rob Greene, Water Quality Bureau, DHES

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the Administrative Rules of Montana, 16.2.604, the following Preliminary Environmental Review has been prepared by the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences concerning Mark Safronoff d.b.a. Helena Auto & Truck

The purpose of the Preliminary Environmental Review is to inform all interested governmental agencies, public groups or individuals of the proposed action and to determine whether or not the action may have a significant effect on the human environment. This Preliminary Environmental Review will be circulated for a period of fifteen (15) days at which time a decision will be made as to our future action.

If you care to comment on this proposed action, please do so within the allotted time.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Ellerhoff.
Environmental Sciences Division

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
Cogswell Building, Helena, Montana 59601

PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Division/Bureau Environmental Sciences Division/Solid and Hazardous Waste Bureau

Project or Application Mark Safronoff dba/Helena Auto & Truck

Description of Project Establishing and licensing a new motor vehicle wrecking
facility near East Helena, Montana

POTENTIAL IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Terrestrial & aquatic life and habitats				x		
2. Water quality, quantity and distribution				x		
3. Geology & soil quality, stability and moisture				x		
4. Vegetation cover, quantity and quality				x		
5. Aesthetics			x			
6. Air quality				x		
7. Unique, endangered, fragile, or limited environmental resources				x		
8. Demands on environmental resources of land, water, air & energy				x		
9. Historical and archaeological sites				x		



POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Social structures and mores				x		
2. Cultural uniqueness and diversity				x		
3. Local and state tax base & tax revenue			x			
4. Agricultural or industrial production				x		
5. Human health				x		
6. Quantity and distribution of community and personal income			x			
7. Access to and quality of recreational and wilderness activities				x		
8. Quantity and distribution of employment			x			
9. Distribution and density of population and housing				x		
10. Demands for government services			x			
11. Industrial & commercial activity				x		
12. Demands for energy				x		
13. Locally adopted environmental plans & goals				x		
14. Transportation networks & traffic flows				x		

Other groups or agencies contacted or which may have overlapping jurisdiction _____

Individuals or groups contributing to this PER. _____

Recommendation concerning preparation of EIS Not necessary

PER Prepared by: Thomas M. Ellerhoff

Date: March 28, 1985



GENERAL COMMENTS

Helena Auto & Truck has proposed to establish a licensed wrecking facility on approximately 21 acres, south of Canyon Ferry Road and west of Wylie Drive (E $\frac{1}{2}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S23, T10N, R3W). The proposed wrecking yard is east of the Motherload reprocessing plant.

The proposed development is not in an incorporated city or special zoning district. The area is unzoned.

State law requires junk vehicles to be shielded from public view, which is a point six feet above the centerline of any public road. The property is bounded on the south by Canyon Ferry Road, on the east by Wylie Drive, adjacent to an irrigation canal to the south and a gravel pit and Motherload on the west.

Mark Safronoff, owner of Helena Auto & Truck, plans to develop the wrecking yard in three stages. The first stage (Reference Enclosure #1) will be a wooden fence built in accordance with standards prescribed in Rule 16.14.202 ARM. The fence will screen the gravel pit and will be "L" shaped. It will be constructed near the present entrance and will shield the pit from Canyon Ferry Road. The southeast corner of the pit has a pond, which formerly was the disposal pit for a livestock slaughter house, south of the property. The western half of the pit will be used to store wrecked vehicles until stage two is completed. The wooden fence will screen these vehicles from the road.

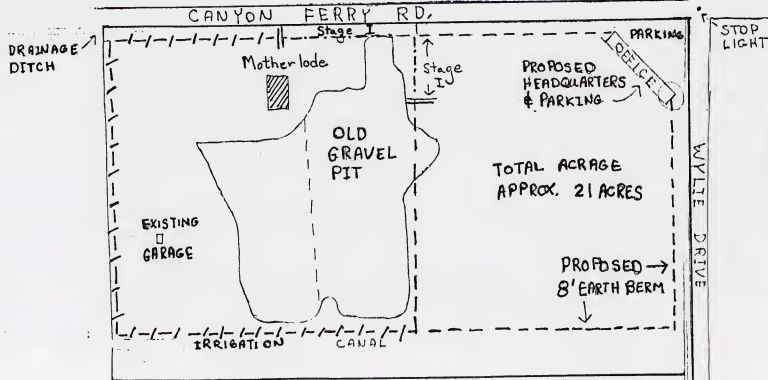
Presently the only standing water in the pit is the pond, however if the pit becomes inundated with either rising groundwater or surface water, any wrecks engulfed by the water would render them in violation of the Montana Water Quality Act, which prohibits the pollution of state waters. If this occurs, the wrecks must be removed.

The second stage will consist of an eight-foot earth berm that will enclose most of the 21 acres west of the gravel pit. The berm will be constructed to comply with the legal requirements that state the sides will "...be covered and graded smooth, with not less than three inches of top soil and seeded with an adequate seeding formula." The yard's office, a refurbished railroad passenger car, will be in the northeast corner of the property. The office will abutt the berms along the north and east sides of the property. This phase is scheduled to be completed by August 1, 1985 (Enclosure #1).

The third stage, due to be completed in 1986, will extend the earth berm from the southwest corner of the 21 acres, around the gravel pit, an existing garage and the Motherload operation, tying back into the west end of the wooden fence along Canyon Ferry Road.



BIG SKY
READY
MIX



Stage I Fencing ---
Stage II Fencing ----
Stage III Fencing -/-/-

Comp. 6/1/85 wood
Comp. 8/1/85 earth berm
Comp. 1986 earth berm

SITE PLAN FOR HELENA AUTO & TRUCK DISMANTLING FACILITIES



MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
Environmental Sciences Division
Solid Waste Management Bureau
Helena, Montana 59601

M O T O R V E H I C L E W R E C K I N G F A C I L I T Y

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Complete this form and return with attachments to: Solid Waste Management Bureau
Montana Department of Health and
Environmental Sciences
Room B-201 Cogswell Building
Helena, MT 59620

- 1) Name of applicant: MARK SAFRONOFF
- 2) Name of facility: Helena Auto + Truck
- 3) Address: 2943 Canyon Ferry Rd., E. Hln
- 4) Size and legal description of facility: Pl. E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 23
TION R3W Sur. #285735

- 5) If you are not the owner of the premises, give name and address of lessor who holds title to the property:

Name: _____

Address: _____

- 6) Attachments: a) Map of city or county showing proposed location of facility.
- b) Drawing of proposed facility showing especially the type and adequacy of shielding of facility from public view and location of buildings.

- 7) I hereby certify that the site of the planned motor vehicle wrecking facility is in accordance with local government zoning and ordinances (to be signed by appropriate local government official having knowledge of local zoning ordinances).

TITLE: I will certify no County Special Zoning District

OF: South of Canyon Ferry Rd. and west of Wylie Dr.
(city of county) Gus Byron Atty

- 8) Date (year and month) that your facility will begin operation: 2-28-85

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: Mark Saffronoff

PHONE: 933-5933

MOSS: 227-6680

DATE: 2/27/85

TITLE: Owner

